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"AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (b) of section 17a-114 of the general statutes is
- 4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from
- 5 passage):
- 6 (b) (1) No child in the custody of the Commissioner of Children and
- 7 Families shall be placed with any person, unless such person is
- 8 licensed for that purpose by the department or the Department of
- 9 Developmental Services pursuant to the provisions of section 17a-227,
- or such person's home is approved by a child placing agency licensed
- 11 by the commissioner pursuant to section 17a-149. The Commissioner
- of Children and Families shall not place a child with any person who is
- 13 an employee of the Department of Children and Families or issue a

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14 <u>license for the placement of a child to any such person.</u> Any person

- 15 licensed by the department may be a prospective adoptive parent. The
- 16 commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the
- 17 provisions of chapter 54, to establish the licensing procedures and
- 18 standards.
- 19 (2) The commissioner shall require each applicant for licensure 20 pursuant to this section and any person sixteen years of age or older
- 21 living in the household of such applicant to submit to state and
- 22 national criminal history records checks prior to issuing a license to
- 23 such applicant to accept placement of a child. Such criminal history
- 24 records checks shall be conducted in accordance with section 29-17a.
- 25 The commissioner shall also check the state child abuse registry
- 26 established pursuant to section 17a-101k for the name of such
- 27 applicant and for the name of any person sixteen years of age or older
- 28 living in the household of such applicant."